Historian Wells' New Task.

F. P. Wells of Newbury, whose history of that town, published recently from this office, has given him a high place yokr, Mass., charged with purloining a among Vermont historians, has been engaged by the New Hampshire Histori- from Henry Carrier of this place. Rouilcal society to complete a biogaraphy of lard had been in Bethlehem for a while, the late Capt. Samuel Morey of Orford, and arrived here from that place Thurs-N. H., and Fairlee. Aside from his claim as the inventor of the steamboat Capt, a friend's room in the Estabrooks tene-Morey was a figure of great importance | ment house, where he found three young in the early days of that portion of the men, including Carrier. He said that he Connecticut valley and throughout the lake which bears his name, numberless stories and traditions are still told con- gave one of the party a dollar to buy cerning him. The historian chosen is extremely well qualified by taste and in and disposed of and Carrier went to experience, and in the historical lore of sleep. When he awoke in the afternoon the country, for the task given him, and He did not report the matter to the police a unique and valuable work may be unt I Friday night. Then Sheriff Sulloanticipated.

The controversy over who is the true inventor of the steamboat is one that will probably never be settled. Of course in the popular mind, Fulton's name is, and doubtless always will be associated with the origin of steam navigation, but the student of Samuel Morey's career finds much convincing evidence to prove that his little steam craft rode the waters of the Connecticut several years before Fulton's experiments in that line had proven successful, and indeed there is strong proof that Fulton's fame rests on his ability to bring before the public the result of Morey's genius. But Morey and Fulton are by no means the only claimants to the honor, as is evidenced by the fact that a Philadelphian has recently erected a memorial in Warminster Pa., which bears this inscription: 'John Fitch here conceived the idea of the first steamboat. He saw a boat with sidewheels run by steam on a pond below Davisville in 1785. Buck's County Historical Society.

So it is probable that Mr. Wells' history may not fully establish Capt. Morey amony the great inventors of America. but one thing is sure it will be an interesting history of a unique career, and as such it will be a valuable addition to Vermont and New Hampshire bibliog-

The McKinley Postal Cards.

The new McKinley postal cards have been placed on sale and Postmaster Hazen has received 5,000, which was only half of his requisition.

The new postal card is of the same size as that in use for several years past, but differs very much in apperance as to the address side. In the right upper corner is a neat and perfect likeness in the form of a vignette of the late lamented President McKinley. On the left upper corner is the American shield and eagle, leaving the upper balf of the card clear for postmarks of the mailing and receiving station. Under the picture of McKinley is inscribed "1843-McKinley-1901", the years marking those of the birth and death of the late President.

The new card is, on the whole, an improvement on the old issue, although it is of precisely the same size. But it is better writing surface, although the card will be a bit thinner. The printing on the address side is rather better arranged attorney in Boston. and the whole appearance is more nesslike and plainer. The new cards were to have been issued in February, but the department was not satisfied with the first design.

A Threatening Letter.

On Friday afternoon of last week Dr. H. C. Newell received a letter from Boston threatening him with immediate death it \$6000 was not delivered to the writer at the corner of Tremont and School streets that night. The make-up of the letter was crude and almost unin telligible and signed with three sets of initials, a photographic reproduction of the whole being printed in the Boston Globe of July 28. There have been no further developments in the matter and the doctor is in nowise disturbed by it. It is thought in Boston to be the work of some demented person.

The doctor has received much notoriety on account of this letter, through the city press, one paper re'erring to him as a St. Johnsbury clergyman.

Our County Vote.

The present campaign in Vermont promises to exceed all others in interest and each side announces that they will give their especial attention to the smaller towns. Our readers will therefore be interested in Caledonia county's vote at the last election and it is herewith tabulated:

	Rep.	Dem.	Pro.	Socialist
Barnet,	178	48		3
Burke,	172	52	2	
Danville,	263	145	7	-5
Groton,	148	55	2	5 3 9
Hardwick,	348	84	14	9
Kirby,	48	17	1	
Lyndon,	354	176	10	1
Newark,	65	48		
Peacham,	116	12	3	-11
Ryegate,	146	4.7	8	1 2
Shetheld,	97	31	19	
St. Johnsbury,	882	349	13	7
Stannard,	3.9	1	-	07
Sutton,	127	22		
Walden,	83	24	7	
Waterford,	125	24	2	
Wheelock,	53	48	12	
Total,	3238	1186	101	31

Will Redeem Postal Cards.

Orders were issued from the post office department at Washington last week to redeem unused postal cards at 75 per cent of their face value, the postmasters to be governed by the same rules as in redeeming unused stamped envelopes. The order from the department states that only whole cards will be accepted and that cards that have been bronzed or covered with enamel will not be accepted. Uncancelled cards which are unserviceable are the ones which the framing of the rule is formed to take.

For many years jobbers had been in the habit of buying unused postal cards that had been printed on one side or both and then bronzing or coating the cards and selling them to business firms at a discount. Hence the government discriminates in redeeming cards against those that have been prepared for further

Robbed While Asleep.

Peter Rouillard, a former employee of Peter Provencal, is under arrest at Holsum of money, said to be about \$100, day morning "dead broke." He went to had not breakfasted and Carrier, who a from the bank, took out a roll of bills and beer and sandwiches. This was brought he was alone and his money was gone. way was called into the case and developments pointed to Rouillard as the guilty man. He departed for Holyoke shown a roll of bills to several parties. Sheriff Sulloway sent a statement of the case, together with a description of Rouillard and his street address in Holvoke, to the chief of police in that city, Saturday night, and was notified by telephone Sunday evening that he had been arrested. Sheriff Sulloway went to Holyoke Monday night and returned yesterday with the prisoner.

At Fairbanks Village,

Mrs. Charles Greenwood of Haverhill, Mass., is spending a few days at H. C.

Mrs. George Merrill of Danville is visting ber daughter, Mrs. H. C. Hill. Miss Lillins Hill will leave Thursday or Haverhill, Mass., where she will

spend a few weeks visiting relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Grow of Charestown, N. H., have been spending a few

days at Matthew Robinson's, Mrs. H. E. Kelsey, who has been spending several weeks in Springfield, Mass., returned Saturday. accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Er-

nest Clark, who will spend some time in Mrs. Henry Averill of Piermont, N. H. visited at J. C. Wing's a part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Mosher of Wheelock spent Saturday and Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Henry Bedard. Kruse Baker of New York City is spending a part of his vacation with his

aunt, Mrs. W. C. Bowditch. I. C. Wing and H. E. Kelsey took carriage drive to the Sunset Hill House

E. M. Ford went to Montpelier Monday to superinten I the erection of a of scales at the state house, Mrs. R. L. Smith is visiting relatives

Former Ward Sues Guardian.

William L. Scoville, who will remembered here as a graduate of the class of '91, St. J. A., has just his tormer guardian, J. W. Brock made of a higher quality of paper, giving of Montpelier. Scoville was formerly a resident of Montpelier and is now an

The plaintiff alleges that at the ti the death of his mother, Mrs. Martha L. Scoville, in 1890, Mr. Brock became his guardian and invested trust funds belonging to the plaintiff in Sioux City and Kansas City investments. That in 1893 the investments in Sioux city, which included the bulk of his funds, became worthless because of the failure of the Union Loan Trust Company. That when the plaintiff became of age his guardian turned over these investments to him and was discharged by the probate court. The plaintiff asserts that his guardian could have sold the investments made with the plaintiff's funds at an advance of at least 20 per cent any time prior to 1893, and that because they were held and became worthless he is a loser of \$7000, which he now sues to recover. The case will appear in the docket of the September term of Washington county court, and Mr. Scoville with the assistance of E. H. Deavitt will prosecute his own case.

Aid Association Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Brightlook Hospital Aid Association was held at the hospital on Monday afternoon. The finance committee reported 56 new members of the association and a most cordial expression of interest on the part of the people whom they visited.

Action was taken on the report of the committee appointed to revise the constitution. One of the most important changes is in regard to the date of the quarterly meetings. They will bereafter be held on the last Monday of September December, March and June. The quarterly meeting in December will be the annual meeting for the election of officers. Thereafter the finance, house and visiting and charity committees will serve one year.

The following committees were appointed to serve three months; Flowers, Mrs. George Hazen, chairman, Mrs. William E. Peck, Miss Julia

Taplin. Sewing, Mrs. W. L. Heath, chairman, Mrs. T. P. Farrell, Mrs. S. T. Brooks, Mrs. M. E. Merrill, Mrs. I. J. Dow. Reading, Mrs. Alvin Adams, chairman,

Miss Mary E. Stone, Mrs. S. D. Atwood. The hospital completed three years of existence with the month of June. A pamph'et giving statistics and information will be issued soon and distributed very generally.

Resigns His Pastorate.

Rev. A. C. Hussey, pastor of the First Baptist church, read his letter of resignation last Sunday to takeeffeet the last Sunday in September. That date completes his four years' pastorate in St. Johnsbury and the resignation comes as a surprise to the church and congregation, Mr. Hussey has received a call to the Baptist church in Warren, Me., and it is quite a coincidence that this church called bly surprised to find a party o' her young him to be their pastor 15 years ago, but friends at her home. Cake and ice cream

RECENT DEATH 5.

Prescott. The announcement of the death of F. D. Prescott, which occurred at his home in Waterford on Tuesday night of last was well-known and highly respected. The cause of his death was pneumonia after a few days' illness. Mr. Prescott was born in Wheelock, November 20, 1832. He was married in 1860 to Aurilla Brooks of Sheffield, who survives him. They were the parents of two sons country in the vicinity of the beautiful few days previously had drawn \$125 and two daughters, of whom only one, Mrs, Martha M. Peck of Danville, is now alive. One son was killed by a falling tree about four years ago. Mr. Prescott was a thoroughly consistent Christian. He united with the Methodist church in Windsor in 1873 and since residing in Water'ord has been a constant attendant at Grace church. He was a veteran of the civil war, having served in Co. F, 9th Vt. Vols., and was a comrade of Chamberlain Post, No. 1, G. A. R. The funeral was held at his Friday night, but not before he had late home Friday morning, and a large gathering of neighbors and friends attested the esteem in which he was held. His pastor, Rev. Joshua M. Frost, conducted the services and the quartette of Grace church sang. Among those who attended from St. Johnsbury was a delegation from Chamberlain Post. The remains were taken to his native town for burial. The only member of Mr. Prescott's immediate fam ly now living s a brother who resides in Oregon. Mrs. Prescott will go to Danville to make her ome with her daughter.

Kimball.

Mrs. Lillian Brook, wife of Edward C. Kimball, died at St. Johnsbury Hospital, ness of about six months. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brook of St. Johnsbury Centre, and was born n London, England, 35 years ago. When ten years of age she came to Canada with her parents, and a few years later to this town, where she has since resided. Thirteen years ago she married Mr. Kimball, who with five chil dren survives her. The funeral was held Saturday at the house of Mr. Kimball's sister, Mrs. Annie Rutherford, Rev. Dr. Pickells of St. Andrew's church officiating. Among those from out of town who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kimball of Bath, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Donley of Barnet and Mrs. Edith Bacon Stone of Woodsville. The death of Mrs. Kimball removes a lady who was highly respected ov all who knew her and the bereaved children and family will have the tender sympathy of all in their affl ction.

Parker Smith, brother of Mrs. George F. Cheney or this place, died in Palatka, Florida, Thursday, of tuberculosis of the ungs. He was born in Randolph 37 years ago and lived there until 18 years of age, when he went to Florida, where he has since been engaged in the banking business. For the past nine years he has been cashier of the Putnam National Bank. He leaves a wife and one daughter, aged 12 years, his mother, Mrs. A A. Smith of Randolph, three sisters, Mrs. Cheney, Mrs. L. P. Thayer of Randolph, brought an interesting suit against and Mrs L. D. Wheeler of White River Junction, and one brother, Walter Smith of Orlando, Fla.

Deacon Sullivan B. Gale, father of Mrs.

J. O. Sherburne of this place, died at James A. Morron, had a narrow escape was one of the best known citizens of the town. The funeral was held Monday, Rev. Mr. Sherburne and sons and John N.

Gale.

The Circus and Children.

The coming of the Great Walter L Main's circus to St. Johnsbury, Saturday, Aug. 2, recalls the o'd tashioned

"Remember you were children once: A happy child don't make a dunce,"

as it serves as a timely and appropriate introductory reminder that the management of the famous big old reliable and popular aggregation named has made very liberal and sensible provisions for the special benefit of the little folks. A circus without a crowd of bright-faced youngsters in attendance, to laud uncritically and to laugh infectiously, would be as dreary as a green Christmas without Santa Claus, and the one which best amuses them is bound to please all. The big Main show does so in filling its vast arena, three rings, two stages and aerial achievements with just such performances, spectacular pageants and whomsicalities as hit the juvenile fancy and tickle its ribs. There will be Fairyland spectacles, clowns, grotesque, amazing 70 horse act. Just that number, all in one ring at one time performing marvelous feats. Big and little elephants, cute ponies, with monkey riders, trained dogs, trick donkeys, whirlwind bicycle races, chariot races, eamel races, Roman standing races, comical clown brass band, comedians and mimics. The only cycle whirl, the only riding pony, "The Girl with the Anburn Hair," the highest, longest diver in the world; the great musical testival, Carl Neal's grand concert; 100 cages, dens, caravans and car of rare wild animals, is the biggest zoological exhibit ever seen in this city Take the children to see them and they formances daily (rain or shine), at 2 aud 8 p. m. Doors open an hour earlier. Seating capacity, 10,000; 25 uniformed at the downtown branch office on morning of the exhibit. See the grand, glorious street parade and then visit the show grounds and be convinced that it is the only big show.

East St. Johnsbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gates of Lisbon, Mr. and Mrs. Tabor Gates of Pawtucket R. I., and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Philipps of Glover, were guests of Mrs. Belinda Gates, Mrs. B. F. Grout and Mrs. Leonard Smith, last week.

Miss Hattie Fisher, recently. Capt. Harrington has been taken to the home of Amos Bowen, that he may receive the care which he needs.

Upon returning from a drive Friday vening Miss Grace Shasteny was agreeaat that time Mr. Hussey declined the were served and she was presented with a gold ring.

ST. JOHNSBURY CENTER.

The work on the ceiling of the Congregational church was finished last week. week, was received with feelings of the metal and Ira Grant of Lyndon did deepest regret in St. Johnsbury where he the painting which reflects great credit tary, will reply to all inquiries. on his taste and workmanship.

E. H. Stone is moving buildings at

Barton Rev. A. F. Walsh, pastor of the Universalist church gave a lecture at their place of worship last Sunday evening on the subject of Temperance. He took up the live issues of the day handling them in a very able and effective manner and made it very evident that we want no high license in Vermont.

The Women's Mission Society meets at he Congregational pastor's study Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Dunlap has gone to his home in Concord, N. H., on a business trip. Both foundations for the bridge abutments are in, so that high water wil not be likely to trouble any more.

Mrs. George Stiles visited her sister, Mrs. Simeon Albee last week. Don Gray from Lyndon has moved into Mr. Harding's house on Washington

Wallace Sherry, who has been stopping with his sister, Mrs. E. H. Hallett, returned to Somerville last Tuesday. T. E. Harriman commenced this week

the work of reshingling all of his buildings. H. C. Powers has the job. E. H. Hallett is cutting the bay on the Edgar Fuller farm this stason.

Alden Miles and family lavecome back from the west and are living with his Thursday, of consumption, after an ill- fither-in-law, Jonathan Hunnley. He expects to have work in the scale factory. Mrs. Arthur Evans of Worcester, Mass., is visiting friends in this place. She is remembered as the daughter of Rev. David Packer, who was the Methodist minister here at two different times years ago, the first time in the Methodist rsonage, the house now occupied by

> Rev. H. W. Worthen and wife returned Friday from a week's sojourn at Bradford.

Miss Helen Albee, a former teacher, was entertained at Byron Wright's a few days last week. Mrs. E. O. Finel is visiting friends in

Walden. Miss Amelia Moore is spending a few

days at H. J. Kelley's. R. N. Fulton from Hartford Seminary, graduate of Roberts College at Constantinople, will lecture at the Congregational vestry Sunday evening at 7 o'clock

on "The Sick Man of Europe in Bed," or,

the Turk at Home. Mrs. Jane Huntley from St. Johnsbury was a guest at Jesse Gage's last week. Miss Mary Adams visited at Mrs. A. N. Drew's Saturday.

Mrs. Julia Colby of Bethlehem, N. H. with her children, are being entertained at Charles Nichols'.

Mrs. John W. Sherry, who has been stopping with her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Hallett, for several days, returned to her home at Nashua last Tuesday.

Mrs. Jennie Turner is staving for a few days with her sister, Miss Helen Graves.

At Summerville.

A Narrow Escape. Our well known granite manufacturer,

Plainfield, Sunday, aged 86 years. He from death last week Sunday. He drove into his yard in the evening and a neighbor came along with a pistolin hand and Gale attending from this town. Mrs. laid it on the carriage seat to assist in Sherburne was unable to attend on unharnessing the horse. The pisto', which was a 32 calibre weapon, fell from the seat and in some way was discharged. The ball entered Mr. Morron's left side a few inches below the armpit and, passing through the fleshy part of the body, struck the shoulder blade, and then downward. There it was embedded in flesh and was casily removed. Mr. Morron has not suffered much as the result of the shot, but his left arm is disabled and it will be several days before he can resume active work,

S. A. Derby of Everett, Mass., who has been the guest of his father-in-law, C. A. Gaskill, is enjoying a fishing trip on Lake Champlain. Mr. Derby is a successful fisherman as he sent Mr. Gaskill a 11 pound pickerel yesterday.

Miss Jennie Gale of Beloit, Wisconsin, is spending her annual vacation at her home here

Mrs. Eunice M. Wilbur and Mrs. Fred C. Wilbur of Newton, Mass., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence P. Leach.

Penn Page and family returned Saturlav from a two weeks' stay at his home in North Troy. Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Chaffee spent two

lays last week with relatives in Lyndon-William Graves, and daughter of Mans

field, Mass., are visiting at W. A. Graves'. Andrew Cox of Springfield is visiting his sister, Mrs. S. J. Morrison.

A Trotting Circuit Organized.

A Vermont trotting circuit was organized here last Thursday which assures the patrons of the race meetings and county fairs this fall some excellent trotwill make you young again. Two per- ting. Representatives of the Caledonia county fair, the Lamoille county fair, the Orleans county fair, the Barre trotting ushers. Numbered coupon seats on sale park and other prominent fair managers were present and arrangements were made, purses declared, and dates claimed, whereby the horsemen get eight consecutive weeks beginning either at Littleton Aug. 13 and 14, or at St. Albans Aug. 14-15. Then the dates run as follows: Barre, Aug 20-22; Newport the following week; Sherbrooke, Aug. 30 to Sept. 6; the Barton fair the following week; the Calcionia county fair, Sept. 16, 17 and 18; Morrisville fair, Sept. 23-25; and close the circuit at Barre Oct. 1, 2 Miss Susan Atkins of Cabot visited The advantages to both the horsemen

and associations are many as it gives hem meetings of good sized purses nearly uniform throughout, continuous racng for eight weeks over first class tracks under best of management, with certainty of best treatment, short and easy

shipments to all points. C. F. Pike of Bradford, N. H., will act as starter at all the races of the circuit. Mr. Pike was starter here at last year's in Great Britain and Ireland.

races and will be remembered as a former

Academy student Each track will be a member of the National Trotting Association. D. D. Bean Joseph Brunelle from St. Johnsbury has of Barton is the circuit secretary, and done a very satisfactory job putting on entry blanks, advertising, etc., will be sent out at once, and either secretary of the respective tracks or the circuit secre-

An Attractive Season.

Lovers of good plays will be glad to learn that Charles A. Chapman, manager of Howe Opera House, has made an engagement with the great actor, Joseph Jefferson, who will appear in "Rip Van Winkle" some time in October.

The regular theatrical season will open on Wednesday, September 3, with Culhane, Chace & Weston's Minstrels. During Fair week the favorite comedian, George E. Hall, will appear in his new comedy "The Americans"; and other attractions during the month will be "Way Down East"; the favorite emotional actress, Mildred Holland, in "The Power Behind the Throne"; the drama, "New York Day by Day"; and James O'Neil in "Monte Cristo," presented with magnificent scenery and beautiful costumes.

During the month of October, Charles Frohman's production, "Are You a Mason?"; the beautiful play "The Christian"; Joseph Jefferson in "Rip Van Winkle"; Lewis Morrison in a complete production of "Faust"; Miss Rose Coghlan and company in a metropolitan attraction; the musical comedy, "A Trip to the Circus"; and Grace George, in the unique American play, "Under Southern Skies"; also the return of the favorite Scotch Band, "The Kilties."

During the following months equally strong attractions will be presented "Chapman's Indoor Circus" will be pre sented on the "Annex" during the week

Manager Chapman has arranged to have a removable ball room floor in the Opera House, extending from the stage to the incline, placed over the orchestra seats giving a floor space for dancing, 80x45 feet. This floor in the Howe Opera House which is connected with the Avenue House, where banquets wil be served and which is centrally located, will make the bandsomest and best equipped ball room in northern New England.

The opening concert, ball and banquet will be given on Wednesday evening, Sept. 24th, Needed repairs are being made in the Opera House, and with the ball room annex and first-class entertainments Mr. Chapman feels confident that Howe Opera House will be a popular pleasure resort as well as a paying institution during the coming season A special theatre train will be run from the north to the leading attractions.

Paintings while you Wait.

Matzon, "the wizard of the brush," is a great attraction just now, and there is always a crowd in front of his tempor ary studio, in one of Lougee Brothers & Smythe's windows. Matzon is an artist o' ability and the rapidity with which be turns out finished pictures is marvellous

The pictures are given away with every dollar purchase, provided the customer buys a frame, and the large numbers that have been sold shows that the opportunity is appreciated.

New Hack Line.

Walter Brockway will give up his position at the scale factory August 1, to operate a 10 cent passenger carriage in connection with C. A. Miles' 10 cent delivery business.

He will put on a two seated carriage and will be at all trains and answer calls to all parts of the village. His specialty will be quick service from trains.

County Conventions.

The democratic county convention will he held here today at 10 o'clock to place in nomination candidates for the county ticket. It will be a mass convention.

E. W. Hutchins of Lyndonville, the county member of the executive committee of the Local Option League, has called a county convention in the Town Hall in St. Johnsbury on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock to nominate a county ticket. It is understood that a comp'ete ticket will be put in the field.

Albumenized Milk.

Albumenized milk is a most nourishing drink for an invalid, and in hot weather, taken at intervals of three hours between breakfast and a 6 o'clock dinner, would be all the nourishment required by a person in health. Drop the white of one egg in a glass, add two-thirds of a cupful of milk, cover and shake until thoroughly mixed. Strain into another glass and

The Sinceures.

Beeler-You are the last man I should have expected to find opposing the pensioning of government employees no longer able to work. Heeler-When a man gets'so helpless

that he can't do what little work there is in a government job, he ought to be taken out and shot.-London Tit-Bits. No Life There.

Little Dot-What's all this talk 'bout Mars? Does folks live there? Little Johnny - They used to live there, but they is all dead long ago.

"How do you know?"

"I heard papa say the names of all the seas an' lakes an' islands an' things is from the dead languages."

Positive Proof.

Judge-What proof have we that this man is absentminded? Attorney-Why, he actually stopped

his automobile at a watering fountain. -Philadelphia Record.

There are 227 different religious sects

Will Wed a Soldier. Mrs. McKinley's Niece Betrothed to

Major Hartzel, Miss Mary Barber, whose engagement to Major Ralph Hartzel of Denver was recently announced, is the

favorite niece of Mrs. McKinley. Miss Barber is the daughter of Mrs. Marshall P. Barber, only sister of Mrs. McKinley, and lives in the old Saxton homestead at Canton, O. She is petite,



MISS MARY BARBER,

with slender, well formed figure. Her eyes and hair are dark brown, Miss Barber was much at the White House during McKinley's presidency. It was Miss Barber who christened the battleship Ohio at San Francisco on the occasion of McKinley's visit to the

Major Hartzel is a lawyer. During the Spanish war he was commissioned a paymaster in the volunteer army with the rank of major. His brother is secretary of state for Porto Rico.

African Snakes.

The African cobra is regarded somewhat reverently by the natives of that country, who once a year kill a cobra de capello and hang its skin to the branch of a tree, tail downward. Then all the children born during the last year are brought out and made to touch the skin. This the parents think puts them under the serpent's protection. The cobra de capello divides with the horned viper of Africa the questionable honor of being the "worm of the Nile," to whose venomous tooth Cleopatra's death was due.

The Kaffirs use the venom of this snake's cousin, the puff adder, to poison their arrows, and when they have any small quantity left they swallow it, having a theory that it will protect them from the bad effects of future bites. The Snake tribe of the Punjab say that the bites of snakes do not hurt them, and if they find a dead serpent they dress it in clothes and give it a superb funeral.

A Simple Cure For Earache.

"I am afraid I have greatly interfered with my own practice," said a celebrated aurist, "by giving the following advice to many of my friends: "At the first symptoms of earache let the patient lie on the bed with the painful ear uppermost. Fold a thick towel and tuck it around the neck; then with a teaspoon fill the ear with warm water.

"Continue doing this for fifteen or twenty minutes. The water will fill the ear orifice and flow over on the towel. Afterward turn over the head, let the water run out and plug the ear with warm glycerin and cotton.

"This may be done every hour until relief is obtained. It is an almost invariable cure and has saved many cases of acute inflammation. The water should be quite warm, but not too hot."-London Tit-Bits.

Getting the King's Ear.

The gentle art of speeding a parting guest is not new. The story from Hertfordshire, as told in the "Victoria County History" series, reveals the method tried on King James I. Hunting had taken the place of state affairs in the monarch's affections, and one morning a favorite hound was missing. The dog appeared the next day, bearing a message tied to his neck: "Good Mr. Jowler, we pray you speak to the king for us (he hearing you every day and so doth not us) that it will please his majesty to go back to London, for else the country will be undone, all our provisions spent already."

Curly Hair.

Persons with naturally curly hair are said to be possessed of more lovable and sweet natures than those with wiry or straight capillary adornment. On most occasions the fact that we are looking our best is a wonderful incentive to good behavior, and the woman with natural curls can discount her straight haired sister many a time and oft. She knows it. Why should she not be amiable? Straight hair was considered by the ancients as a mark of the gods' displeasure. Hair which was straight before sickness will sometimes grow curly afterward,

What He Wrote On. "Hello, Starveling! How is litera-

ture?" "First rate." "Writing anything now?"

"Yes, a book." "What on?" "An empty stomach principally. You couldn't lend me the price of a dinner,

Pat Definition. In a Liverpool school lately a number of scholars were asked to explain the meaning of the term "righteous in-

dignation." One little chap replied: *Being angry without cussing."

could you?"

Church Notes.

The pastor will preach at the First Baptist church next Sunday morning, Other services as usual. Monthly business meeting of the church Wednesday evening at 8 15. A large attendance is

earnestly solicited. The North and South churches will hold a union prayer meeting at the South church tonight. The meeting will be addressed by Miss Lydia Hartig and Miss

Yarrow of Honolulu. First Church of Christ, Scientist, Odd Fellows' block, Sunday morning service at 10.45. Subject, "Spirit." Sunday school following the morning service, Wednesday evening meeting at 7.45 The reading room is open on Wednesday and Thursday from 2 to 5.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church will meet Thursday afternoon with Miss Carrie Underwood from 2 30

Rev. Mr. Duston will preach at the Free Baptist church next Sunday morning upon the theme, "One Day vs. a Thou-"Where, and When, Will the Saints be

Crowned?" will be the subject of the pastor's discourse Sunday morning at 10.30 in the Advent Christian church. Sunday school from 12 to 1. The lesson tor study will be "The Tabernacle." The evening meeting will begin at 6,30, to which an invitation is extended to all. Rev. Arthur Titcomb of Saxonville. Mass., spoke at the North church Sun.

day school last Sunday. At the Grace Methodist church next Sunday the pastor will preach in the morning upon "Spells," and will lecture in the evening upon "Eagles."

The Sunday school of the Free Baptist church will have a pienie in the grove at the electric light station on Thursday; if stormy, on Friday. All members and triends of the school are cordially invited to go.

Rev. Luther Freeman of Portland, Me., will supply the pulpit of the North church Sunday. Mr. Freeman is pastor of one of the largest churches in New England. He supplied the North church pulpit two years ago.

Mrs. C. M. Lamson will speak at the woman's prayer meeting at the North church Friday afternoon at 4. The subject of the meetings for the past few weeks has been child study, and Mrs. Lamson will speak along this line, her subject being "The Training of the Will" Regular services will be held as usual

preach. This will be the last service until September. The South church pulpit will be occupied next Sunday by Rev. James C. Alvord of Woonsocket, R. I.

next Sunday at the Church of the Mes-

siah. The pastor, Rev. A. F. Walch will

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Real Estate.

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St. Johnsbury, Vermont. Application for License to Sell

BLLEN HOGAN'S ESTATE, *

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, se In Probate Court, held at St. Johnsbury, within and for said District, on the 10th day of July A. D. 1902.

Joseph E. Brown, Administrator upon the Estate of Ellen Hogan late of St. Johnsbury in said district, deceased, makes application to said Court for license to sell the whole of the real estate of said deceased, consisting of a Dwelling House and Lot situated in the Village of St. Johnsbury County of Caledonia and State of Vermont, representing to said Court that it would be beneficial to the Heirs and all persons interested in the Estate of said deceased to sell the whole of the Real Estate of said deceased as aforcesaid, and convert the same into money; and also brings therewith into Court the consent and approbation in writing to the granting of such license, of all the Heirs to said Estate residing in this State.

Where Upon, it is ordered by said Court that said application come under consideration and be heard on the 31st day of July A. D. 1902, at the Probate Office, in St. Johnsbury; and, it is further ordered, that all persons interested be notified hereof, by publication of notices of this weekening. ELLEN HOGAN'S ESTATE,: all persons interested be notified hereof, by publication of notice of this application and order thereon, three weeks successively in the Caladonia

and order thereon, three weeks successive, in the Caledonian printed at St. Johnsbury, before said time of hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and, if they see cause, object thereto. By the Court, Attest: WALTER P. SMITH, Judge

Presentation of Account. HANNAH N. MARTIN'S ESTATE.

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, 88.

STATE OF VERMONT, Caledonia District, ss. In Probate Court, held at the probate office in St. Johnsbury, in said district, on the 21st day of July A. D. 1902.

George P. Blair, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Hannah N. Martin, late of Peacham, in said District, deceased, presents his administration account for examination and allowance, and makes application for decree of distribution and partition of the estate of said deceased.

Whereupon, it is ordered by said court, that said account and said application be referred to a session thereof, to be held at the Probate office in said St. Johnsbury, on the 25th day of August A. D. 1902, for hearing and decision thereon: And it is further ordered that notice hereof be given to all persons interested, by publication of the same three weeks successively in the Caledonian, a newspaper published at St. Johnsbury, previous to said time appointed for hearing, that they may appear at said time and place, and show cause, if any they may have, why said account should not be allowed and such decree made.

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WALTER P. SMITH, Judge.

Bankruptcy Notice. IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERLONT.

STATES FOR THE DISTRICT OF VERLANT.

In the matter of Bdw ard J. Goss.

Bankrupt.

To the creditors of Edward J. Goss of St. Johnsbury, in the county of Caledonia, and District aforesaid, a bankrupt.

Notice is hereby given that on the 19th day of July, A. D. 1902, the said Edward J. Goss was duly adjudicated bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at my office in St. Johnsbury, in said District, on the 9th day of August A. D. 1902, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, provetheir claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

MARSHALL MONTGOMERS.

MARSHALL MONTGOMERY. St. Johnsbury, Vt., July 30, 1902.